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## **Contributions**

Contributions are anything of value that support or oppose the nomination or election of one or more clearly identified candidates. Contributions may be monetary or non-monetary. Loans, pledges, gifts, proceeds or sales of services, in-kind transfers, use of any supplies, office machinery, vehicles, aircraft, office space or related services, goods, or personal or real property are all contributions. All contributions are subject to the regulations of the North Carolina General Statutes. A contribution that is made by the candidate or candidate's family would still be subject to the same disclosure as any other contribution received by the candidate.

It is important to be extremely familiar with the limitations and prohibitions on contributions. The following information is for all candidates other than judicial candidates. Judicial candidate contribution limitations are discussed separately in this portion of the Manual.

### ***Limitations for non-judicial candidates***

A candidate may not accept and a contributor may not give more than four thousand dollars (\$4,000) per election. Therefore, if there is a primary for the office of the candidate and a general election, the candidate may receive four thousand dollars (\$4,000) through the day of the primary and four thousand dollars (\$4,000) from the day after the primary through the general election. If the candidate is on the ballot in a second primary, the candidate would be entitled to receive an additional four thousand dollars (\$4,000) from the day after the primary through the day of the second primary. If a candidate is not on the ballot for the second primary, they would not be entitled to the additional four thousand dollars (\$4,000). A candidate, the candidate's spouse, parents, brothers and sisters may contribute unlimited amounts to the candidate and are not subject to the limitations. Any national, state, district or county executive committee of any political party (recognized under N.C.G.S. §163-96) is exempt from the contribution limitations as well.